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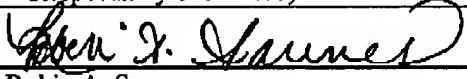
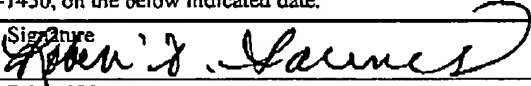
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Dear Sir:

Introductory Comments

In reply to the Office Action dated September 7, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2; and
Remarks begin on page 9.